

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 540

By Atchley

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Elizabeth "Betsy"
Thompson Panici of Nashville.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the untimely death of Elizabeth "Betsy" Thompson Panici; and

WHEREAS, Betsy Panici was an exemplary person who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for her family and her fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, the daughter of United States Senator Fred Thompson and Sarah Knestrick, Elizabeth "Betsy" Thompson Panici was a graduate of Belmont University, who was renowned for her great sense of humor, her devotion to family and friends and for her love of travel; she especially enjoyed her trips to Mexico; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Panici was also deeply devoted to her family, and she always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Betsy enjoyed the loving companionship of her devoted husband, Ronald A. Panici, and was the proud mother of Ronald Antonio Panici, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Panici will also be greatly missed by her brothers, Tony and Daniel Thompson, her grandmothers, Ruth Thompson and Roberta Lindsey, her stepfather, Walter Knestrick and her many friends; and

WHEREAS, Betsy leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we honor the memory of Elizabeth "Betsy" Thompson Panici, reflecting fondly upon her impeccable character and her stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mrs. Panici.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.